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Methods of Grading Ore

1. German radiometrists employed underground in Object 7, Annaberg, in January 1954 all used RU units for grading the ore mined. The automatic grading devices (Sortenschalter) in the majority of these units were defective, and radiometrists graded the ore by assessing the amount of noise heard in the headphones. No efforts were made to repair the defective grading devices.
2. The boxes of ore were checked by Russian radiometrists on the surface before dispatch. The Russians used PR5 units, but by judicious arrangement of the ore, German radiometrists were still able to introduce in a box of Grade I ore a percentage of inferior material without this being detected by the Russians using their PR5 units.
3. The Russians have recently started holding local training courses for German radiometrists in Annaberg.

Russian Staff of Object 7

4. Most of the Russian staff members and their families live in an area of Annaberg/Humpel, often referred to by German residents as "The Red Ghetto". They occupy 20 to 25 three-story requisitioned houses, divided into apartments.
5. One of the Russians employed in Object 7 is:
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Miscellaneous

6. At the end of 1953, Object 7 assumed control over a part of the workings of Object 8.
7. In January 1954, only two eight-hour shifts per day were being worked underground in Object 7.

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